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SUBJECT: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS

TTBT/PNE DELEGATION MESSAGE NUMBER THIRTY-EIGHT

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1. CONCERNING PARA 5 OF REFTEL ON TREATMENT OF RETARCS:

(A) ON JUNE 12 (REF MOSCOW 8153, PARA 1) PETROV AND BEZUMOV TOOK POSITION IN GROUP IV MEETING THAT THEY DID NOT REGARD RETARC PROJECTS AS ECCAVATION EXPLOSIONS, BUT THAT THIS SHOULD BE DISCUSSED WITH MYASNIKOV;

(B) ON JUNE 13 (REF MOSCOW 8721, PARA 12) IN PLENARY PETROV SUGGESTED SAME POSITION BUT MYASNIKOV INTERJECTED THAT RETARCS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS EXCAVATION EXPLOSIONS;

(C) ON JUNE 23 (REF MOSCOW 8709, PARA 12) MYASNIKOV SAID IN CONVERSATION AFTER PLENARY THAT RETARC EXPLOSIONS WOULD BE REGARDED AS CONTAINED EXPLOSIONS; AND

(D) DELEGATION WILL SEEK FORMAL CONFIRMATION ON THIS POINT IN PLENARY JUNE 30.

2. CONCERNING PARA 8 OF REFTEL, YOUR ASSUMPTION IS CORRECT.

3. WITH RESPECT TO PARA 9A OF REFTEL, FULL TEXT OF PARA

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YOU RECEIVED GARBLED IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: CONCERNING YOUR ISSUE #3, WE ARE GRATIFIED
THAT THE SOVIET SIDE HAS RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR A LIMIT ON THE
AGGREGATE YIELD OF EXCAVATION SALVOS. AT THE SAME TIME
WE NOTE THE APPARENTLY CONSIDERABLE BUT UNKNOWN DISTANCE
BETWEEN THE 500 KILOTON LIMIT PROPOSED BY THE US SIDE AND THE
"MEGATONS" NOW PROPOSED BY THE SOVIET SIDE. TO HELP US BETTER
UNDERSTAND THE ACTUAL SIZE OF THE DISPARITY BETWEEN US IT
WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE AN INDICATION OF WHAT YOU MEAN WHEN
YOU SAY "MEGATONS" IN THIS CONTEXT. UNQUOTE

4. WITH RESPECT TO PARA 9B OF REFTTEL, YOUR ASSUMPTION
IS CORRECT.
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